



Hillsboro School District

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To: Principals
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From: District Nursing Staff

Subject: Head Lice revision per "Head Lice Guidelines"
Provided by Oregon Department of Education and
Public Health Division of the Oregon Health Authority

In the event that a student has head lice, Hillsboro School District staff will:

1. Students with symptoms of suspected head lice will be referred to school staff for confidential individual screening.
2. Staff will follow the "Managing Presumed Head Lice in Schools," algorithm.
3. Students with live lice or nits (eggs of head lice), will be allowed to remain in class and participate in school sponsored activities for the remainder of the school day.
4. Unnecessary absenteeism leads to missed learning opportunities for the student and potentially lost family wages due to loss of parent/guardian workday.
5. Schools will communicate with students' family regarding recognition, prevention, and treatment of head lice. A packet including parent/guardian information sheet on head lice will be sent home with student. Notifying classroom/school families is at the principal's discretion; nurse consult is available.
6. The goal is to not exclude a student from school for head lice. Trained staff will perform a confidential head check one week later.

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District Nurses
Licensed Practical Nurses

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